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Application Number	09/543,604
Filing Date	APRIL 7, 2000
First Named Inventor	MUELLER
Art Unit	2877
Examiner Name	HWA S. LEE
Attorney Docket Number	KLAC0016

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DIFFERENTIAL INTERFEROMETER

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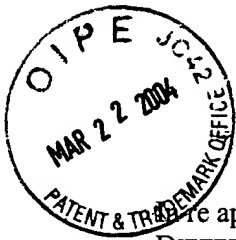
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In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks in connection with the above-identified patent application.



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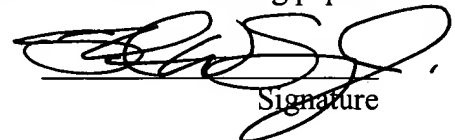
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